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HOW WILL THE LAWYERS VOTE?

HOW do the independent lawyers of this city feel about a return of Tammany rule and Tammany methods?
Does the average lawyer who has to earn his daily bread in the courts want the complicated machinery upon which he is dependent tinkered to suit Tammany ends?
Does he want his dealings with the Bench delayed and made difficult in a hundred petty ways because Tammany has its friends to consider?

Has he failed to appreciate the progress made recently in expediting executions, injunctions and similar business where delay in the past was notorious?

Has he not blessed the reforms made in the Registry Office that now make it possible to count on a return of deeds and mortgages within seven days without extra fee?

Would he not be glad to see like improvements in the Sheriff's office and elsewhere?

Or would he rather find himself up against the well known methods, the exasperating delays, the favoritism and the fees inseparable from the one policy which Tammany recognizes—fix it so we will get ours?

Why should the independent lawyer vote himself into a semi-bondage to Tammany?

McCall calls Sulzer "a poor, misguided man." Correct. He was.

A DIFFERENT TUNE.

THE chastened spirit of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad shines through the assurance of President Elliott at a transportation dinner in Rhode Island:

"Should competing carriers, either rail or water, see fit to invest their capital for the purpose of adding to the transportation facilities of this region, this company is not going to fight such a movement."

A very different tone from that of Mr. Mellen and his Wall street sponsors when they were laying hands right and left on every steamship line, trolley system and electric plant in sight and all but proclaiming that New England belonged by right of conquest exclusively to the New Haven road.

Stockholders of the New Haven must rejoice to hear these long unaccustomed sentiments of "live and let live" issuing from executive quarters. In the old days, when the New Haven was a "competing carrier," ambitious to be first of all a railroad, its stock sold at 350.

"Illiterate dummies" are also loose in this campaign—take it from John H. Delaney.

PART OF THE CLEAN-UP.

EFFORTS to suppress illegal registration go steadily on. Two Grand Jurors are kept constantly busy and a score of indictments a day is the average rate of progress. A close lookout for "colonization" resulted in eight indictments in one lodging house on the Bowery and nine more against occupants of another house close by. Forsyth street alone produced fifty "boarder" complaints and thirty similar cases were reported in Monroe street.

The city does well to get after election frauds in the heat of the campaign. Data obtained can be filed and used later to wage a war of extermination on professional gangs of guerrillas and repeaters.

New York is in a terrific mess of campaign clutter and dirt, but there are cheerful signs that a process of genuine house-cleaning is on foot nevertheless, and the city will come out of it like a brass kettle after a scouring.

Another Lie Nailed.—Headline, What if we run short of nails?

NOT YET.

ANOTHER mass-meeting of waiters finally resolved to abolish tips has gone the way of its kind: It failed to come off.

The International Hotel Workers' Union thought they had worked themselves up to the necessary pitch of courage and determination. A petition with two thousand signatures was waiting to go to Albany and rouse the lawmakers to pass a vigorous measure against tipping.

Then, just when the waiters were nerving themselves to final concerted action, some tip-lapping miscreant stole the petition! Whereupon the union breathed a deep sigh of relief and slid back into the old ways, soothed by the not unpleasant sense that fate is too much for it.

Every waiter will tell you that what he really wants is fair wages. So far the anti-tipping theory is excellent. In fact, it would be perfect but for one danger—it might cut off tips.

It'll be a creepy night in the Wigwam if the spooks are half way on the job.

Letters from the People

"A Just and splendid Law."
To the Editor of The Evening World:
The State Labor law that went into effect Oct. 1 requiring all employees in mercantile establishments to be allowed forty-five minutes for lunch should benefit the health of thousands. Thirty minutes was formerly a strict rule in many cases. And crowded restaurants, causing delay in being served, reduced the actual time for eating to a point positively detrimental to health. This is a just and splendid law. Let us hope it will be strictly enforced.

CONSIDERATE SHOPPER.
A. M. R. T. Giverson.

To the Editor of The Evening World:
Can't we get more cars on the B. R. T.? The new cars hold only just so many, and if the conductor only just so

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Their Hallowe'en

By Maurice Ketten



The Jarr Family

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midnight tango tea in honor of Mrs. Jarr was the one great topic of Harlem's highest social circles, the time and place for the midnight tango party had not been decided upon.

"Somebody ought to do something, I'm such a poor hand at arranging details," Mrs. Mudridge-Smith declared.

"And I am no hand at management," protested Mrs. Striver. "Oh, I am so anxious to do everything to make the affair a great success, but the state of my health is such that really—"

She inferred by this that the least word or worry would bring about a collapse that would necessitate her going to some fashionable sanitarium and

then, of course, she couldn't attend the tango tea.

But she informed Mr. Striver that if Clara Mudridge-Smith was to dine with Mrs. Jarr in the hope Mrs. Jarr would have her meet the President of Costa Rica, when that personage honored her fair land with her presence, let her, the said Clara Mudridge-Smith, attend to the bother of it.

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LITTLE CAUSES OF BIG WARS

By ALBERT PAYSON TERHUNE

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No. 6.—"Love at First Sight" That Led to Centuries of War.

BUONDALMONTE DEI BUONDALMONTI, a young Florentine nobleman, strolled past the villa of Fortiguerra Donati one day in 1215. Altruda, the matchmaking wife of Donati, called to him from a balcony:

"Whom have you chosen for a wife, Messer Buondalmonte?" asked Altruda as the youth halted in reply to her call.

Buondalmonte answered that he was betrothed to the daughter of Oderigo Ghantruffetti, a close relative to the powerful family of the Uberti. Altruda, turning back for a moment into the house, summoned her own daughter to the balcony. The girl was surpassingly beautiful. At sight of her the young nobleman quite forgot the woman to whom he was engaged and fell in love at first sight with this new beauty who was smiling down on him from the balcony.

"I had been reserving this maid for you," said Altruda, noting furiously the havoc her daughter's loveliness was working on the man's heart. "It is too late!" sighed Buondalmonte. "I have no choice now. I am already betrothed."

"Is not too late!" coaxed Altruda. "Marry my daughter. I will pay any damages the Ghantruffetti family may demand."

So Buondalmonte dei Buondalmonti married the daughter of Altruda Donati: deserting the girl to whom his troth was pledged. And thereby he supplied the cause of one of the greatest wars of all medieval history.

Oderigo Ghantruffetti was mad with rage at the heartless desertion of his only daughter. The chief adviser of the Uberti, he set on foot a plan of revenge. He advised Oderigo to avenge the stain on his family by putting Buondalmonte to death. So, on the Ghantruffetti's wedding day, a picked band of the Uberti and the Ghantruffetti murdered him.

Instead of ending the trouble, this assassination merely increased it, for promptly it started a blood feud between the families of the Uberti and the Donati—the latter not relishing the idea of their beautiful young relative being left husbandless by murder on her wedding day.

Fiercely waged the feud between the two strong families. Gradually the whole city of Florence was drawn into taking sides with one warring class or the other. From Florence the strife spread throughout all Italy. By this time it had taken on a political significance. The original cause of conflict was half forgotten, and the quarrel had become almost purely one of politics.

The Donati belonged to what was known as the Ghibelline faction and the Uberti were members of the Guelph party. The Guelph-Ghibelline war had long waged in Germany and had even extended into Lombardy. But it had remained for the Uberti-Donati feud to carry the war through Italy and into its longest and fiercest phase.

Here, briefly, is the Guelph-Ghibelline situation from its start: Conrad, Duke of Swabia, Lord of Wiblingen (corrupted into "Ghibelline") had quarreled with Henry, Duke of Saxony (a member of the Wolf or Guelph family) over the Imperial crown of Germany. Conrad, head of the Ghibellines, was elected Emperor; defeating Henry. The Guelphs refused to recognize him, and factional strife set in. Noblemen in other countries, as in the case of the Uberti and the Donati, joined in the dispute.

The Guelph-Ghibelline war was soon died out in Germany, but in Italy they waged in one form and another for nearly four centuries. Germany was in a measure the overlord of much of Italy. The Italian cities that hated German rule took to calling themselves Guelphs. And the Pope, who supported the Guelph cause, at Pavia a Ghibelline league was formed to back up the German Emperor's authority.

Civil war in its most merciless form rent Italy. The Guelphs representing "Home Rule" and the Ghibellines loyalty to Germany, the factions warring high wrecked their fatherland before peace was finally declared.

In the latter half of the eighteenth century a trace of the old Guelph spirit flared up again in the patriotic movement to cast off the Austrian yoke and to make Italy a free and united nation. Few people to-day realize that the cause which led to Italy's freedom had its indirect origin in the jilting of a Florentine girl.

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